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I spent some time talking to [REDACTED] about his claim for storage of household effects while he was overseas. He had difficulty understanding that the weight limitations cannot be administratively waived, and even suggested that we undertake, through the Bureau of the Budget, to have the law changed so that he could be reimbursed. He finally accepted the fact that we have no authority to pay for the storage of the large amount of furniture he inherited, and shifted his stand to a request that we apply 1,800 pounds of unused excess baggage to the household storage. I explained that this had already been disapproved by OGC because, at the time of his tour, this was not permissible. The rules have been changed since 1961 to enable this, but we cannot retroactively apply them to his case. He then began to discuss the total cost of the tour to him. This included the forced sale of a new car, at a loss of \$700, so that he could take a [REDACTED] Landrover. He also stated that both the loss on the car and the excess storage charges were dictated by NE Division, and would be tax deductible if he worked anywhere else. (I later checked this with [REDACTED] and neither item would be deductible.) I suggested that [REDACTED] might talk with [REDACTED] to determine whether there is any basis for an appeal through that channel, but otherwise I see no way we can help him.

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Followed up with OGC re status of proposed memo for settlement of
[REDACTED] claim for storage of excess HHE. [REDACTED] stated that he had
written an opinion which was not approved by [REDACTED] and he was now
rewriting it. Promised results in a few days.

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